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SOLDIERS TIRED OF WAR: HOSTILITIES TO CEASE

\$100,000 FOR TANG SENG CHEE

Peking, Yesterday.
The Koumteichung Generals, Lu Chung-lin and Liu Yuk-fun who arrived from Taiyuan on January 4 at the Tanguan Pass, immediately called a military conference with Generals Soong Chih-yuen, Sun Liang-cheng and Shih Cheng-ting, announcing the re-organization of their troops by General Yen Hsi-san.

Due to the severity of the present cold weather, and to the soldiers being tired of the war, the above military leaders decided to draft a circular telegram, declaring the termination of their opposition, pledging their loyalty to the Central Government and obeying the instructions of the Central Disbandment Committee.

Activities To Cease
Nanking, Yesterday.
General Yen Hsi-san circulated on January 5

Travelling Expenses
Hankow, Yesterday.

General Yen Hsi-san has, in view the recommendation of General Chao Hang-tieh, the ex-Hunan Governor, decided to take over con-

trol of the troops under Tang Seng-chi. It is said that Yen will hold himself responsible for the liquidation of all arrears due to Tang's troops, while Tang's personal travelling expenses to foreign countries are to be paid by the Central Government.

Rebels' Reorganisation
Taiyuan, Yesterday.
General Yen Hsi-san has wired to Nanking for approval of the scheme for the re-organisation of the rebels: — Sun Liang-cheng's troops are to be handed over to General Yang Kit for enlistment. Soong Chih-yuen and Shih Ching-tang's troops, having concentrated at Tungkuang Pass, are to await for

re-organisation. Wan Tsun-tso's troops are to be re-organised by the Hupeh Province.

Military Appointments
Chengchow, Yesterday.

After his arrival at Chengchow, General Yen Hsi-san made the following appointments:—General Han Fu-kui to be the C.I.C. of the northern route of the front column, General Wang Chin-yu and General Liu Chun-yung, the Commander and Vice Commander of the Central

column, General Wang Chun and General Yang Shing-chi, the Commander and Vice-Commander of the Right Wing, and, General Chang Tak-shun, the Commander of the Left Wing. The above commanders are to be under the direction of

General Han Fu-kul.
Bridge Destroyed
Hankow, Yesterday.
The enemy, who retreated on January 4 towards the north-eastern direction, being apprehensive of close pursuit by the National forces, have destroyed the No. 519 bridge at Kokshan.

Reward For Tang's Capture
Shanghai, Yesterday.
The rebel remnants of Tang Seng-chi have retired in disorder

General Liu Shih offers a reward for the capture of Tang Seng-chi —\$100,000 if alive, and \$50,000 if dead.

Fled To Japan

Upon receipt of the telegram from General Yen Hsi-san regarding the surrender of hostilities

Under the protection of General Yen Hsi-san for his safety to go abroad, Tang Seng-chi is reported to have fled to Japan.—Canton News Agency.

Hankow, Yesterday.
The conference between Yen Hsi-shan, Ho Cheng-chun, and other Nanking leaders has made a decision to attack from Chengchow in the near future with the object of subjugating Tang Seng-chi. It is reported that the rebels' lines of communication have been cut at Chumashan, and they are retiring. Their morale is said to have been "destroyed."—Reuter.

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CHICAGO MARU	Friday, 7th February.
CALCUTTA—Via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.	
BORNEO MARU	Saturday, 18th January.
SEATTLE MARU	Saturday, 1st February.
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MENADO MARU	Thursday, 9th January, 10 a.m.
JAPAN PORTS.	
AMAZON MARU	Friday, 17th January.
KEELUNG—Via Swatow & Amoy.	
HOZAN MARU	Sunday, 12th January, Noon.
CANTON MARU	Sunday, 19th January, Noon.
TAKAO—Via Swatow & Amoy.	
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Three twin-screw steamers to be used in the British Columbia Coast and Alaska service of the Canadian National Steamships are now under construction, and the first of these vessels will be launched on January 17, 1930, at the yard of Messrs. Cammell Laird and Co. Ltd. Other launches will follow at intervals of a month, and these steamers will go into commission during the summer season of 1930 to serve a traffic in tourist and commercial passenger travel, cargo, and mail, which has been continuously expanding.

These vessels are being built in the yards of the company, which previously constructed the five ships now operating between Eastern Canada and the British West Indies. Other launches planned and specifications prepared by Messrs. A. T. Wall and Company, of Liverpool, who also prepared the plans and supervised the building and fitting out of the steamers now on the West Indies trade.

The hull specifications for these twin-screw passenger and cargo steamers call for vessels which will be high class in every respect. In accordance with the highest requirements of the British Board of Trade and the Canadian Maritime authorities, all measures have been taken with regard to safety at sea and the provision of adequate protection against fire.

While in outward appearance resembling the steamers Prince George and Prince Rupert, now engaged in the British Columbia Coast trade, the new steamers Prince David, Prince Henry, and Prince Robert will be of greater length, wider beam, and draft being 300 feet of the present vessels.

The new vessels will have straight stem, cruiser stern, three funnels and two steel masts. Accommodation will be provided for 324 first-class passengers and 70 third-class passengers in rooms and cabins, while 1,500 passengers may be carried on the deck space for short runs, as for instance, between Vancouver and Victoria. The cabin accommodation will be of the best character of its kind, including special suites, de luxe rooms with bath room, and two-berth rooms with private shower, the remainder of the rooms being for two and three berths. In the suites and de luxe rooms beds Canadian manufacture will be installed.

The public rooms will be spacious and handsomely decorated, a special feature being a large observation room on the promenade deck, with generous window space to ensure the widest possible view.

A number of other features are included in the plan, ranging all the way from a beauty parlour to a prison, the latter a very modest affair, but complete with all the necessary fittings of a high-class "clink". The beauty parlour will be in accordance with all the demands of modern feminine fashion, with lighting fixtures of special character, electrical devices, and even a carpet of extra super-wilton quality. Mere man has not been overlooked, and a barber's shop will also be established. Part of the space occupied by this shop will be used for serving ice and cold drinks, all of which will be kept at proper temperature by mechanical refrigeration. For the further convenience of travellers there will be a "shoe-shine" parlour equipped in accordance with the practice of such places in Canada.

Telephone Facilities. The cabin equipment goes rather beyond the usual design, as it includes a telephone in each room. This is entirely in addition to the private inter-communicating telephone system, which enables the captain and chief engineer to obtain touch with other officers. The telephones in the cabins are connected to a private branch, using the dial system for communications. The central telephone exchange will be so arranged that it may be connected with the land telephone system on arrival at any port. Telephones of Canadian pattern, and of the type used in the Dominion, will be fitted. The vessels will be equipped for the reception of radio broadcasting and the transmission of music from an orthophonic instrument for the entertainment of passengers in the dining space, lounges and other public rooms. In these places, loud speakers of an efficient type will be installed.

For the comfort of the passengers, a great deal of care has been expended in designing adequate steam heating and ventilation, and also in providing for the greatest possible amount of daylight on shipboard. The artificial lighting has been planned so as to afford the greatest amount of illumination of the ships, and other matters which add to the comfort of the passengers, but do not fall under personal observation, are the adequate and well-equipped kitchens, and the cold and dry storage facilities for the care of food.

These vessels will each provide at least 45,000 cubic feet of ordinary cargo space, and in addition, about 4,370 cubic feet net of insulated cargo space. There will also be space for the carriage of motor-cars, mail and baggage, and special attention will be paid to the carriage of passengers' motor-cars, and an electric hoist will be used to convey motor-cars to the proper stowage space. All cargo winches are to be of the silent running type.

Canadian woods have been used as far as possible for the timber requirements of these ships, including British Columbia Douglas fir for deck planking, white elm and other wood suitable for decorative purposes.

The machinery of these vessels will consist of steam turbines of Parsons' type, driving twin-screws through single-reduction mechanical gear. The machinery installation is of very high character, constructed to the requirements of the British Corporation, British Board of Trade and Canadian Steamship Inspection Service laws for passenger and cargo vessels. The boilers are arranged for oil-burning and forced draught, and the machinery throughout is in accordance with the very highest form specifications.

Following the launching, there will be a series of progressive trials, for hull and machinery, and after the vessels are ready for sea each will proceed to Canada to enter service.

PORT DUES IN THE STATES

PAN AMERICAN COMMISSIONER'S RECOMMENDATIONS

EFFORTS OF STANDARDISATION

A number of proposals aiming at the simplification and standardisation in port dues and charges have been adopted by the Port Committee of the Pan American Commission on Customs Procedure and Port Formalities.

One recommendation (state Washington advises) provides that entrance and clearance fees shall be fixed at a certain sum per ship, and that there be consolidated therein all fees or charges of a similar character. The resolution provided further that this be incorporated into a draft convention to be referred to the governing board of the Pan American Union for appropriate consideration by the American Government.

Another resolution recommended the levying of tonnage dues on the basis of net register tonnage, and the consolidation therein of any separate or special charges of a similar character, and that a draft convention on this subject be prepared for submission to the various American government.

Pilotage. The basing of charges for pilotage on net registered tonnage of vessels as a uniform unit, the character, time and extent of the services rendered being taken into consideration in such charges, was the substance of another resolution approved by the committee. This also will be put into draft convention form and referred to the different American countries.

The committee recommended that registered net tonnage be adopted as the unit of charges for dockage, moorage and anchorage. Wharfage charges, it was recommended, should be fixed on weight basis. Light charges, the committee decided to recommend, to be fixed according to net tonnage, but consolidated with entrance and clearance and clearance charges, wherever possible.

A fixed nominal charge per ship was approved by the committee as the best uniform system to propose on charges for permission to enter, and bill of health certificates. The committee adopted a proposal recommending publication of printed schedules by each country or each port showing the fixed port and handling charges, copies of which publications should be available for purchase at nominal price at all the ports of these countries.

LEITH DOCK

Government's Reply To Deputation

A meeting of the Works Committee of Leith Dock Commission was held in mail week when informal reference was made to the deputation representing the Commission which, on the previous day, interviewed in London Mr. J. St. Thomas, the Lord Privy Seal, and Miss Margaret Bondfield, the Minister of Labour, regarding application for a Government grant towards the cost of the Commission's schemes for the extension of Leith docks.

The Government some time ago repeated the offer of the previous Government to pay half of the interest incurred on the loan which would be raised for a period of 15 years. Recently they increased the offer to 100 per cent. of the interest during the period of construction up to five years, and of 5 per cent. of the interest after that and up to 15 years.

The deputation were informed that the Government could not give any better terms for any docks, which they regarded as revenue-producing undertakings. These terms were similar to the terms which would be given to municipalities for revenue-earning undertakings.

Several members of Leith Dock Commission, who were interviewed, said that the schemes would involve an expenditure of £500,000, and included the construction of breakwater and extension of existing pier, from neither of which would there be any revenue available for a long time. The Commission would also have to consider whether there would be any increase of trade as the result of the extensions, because, without the prospect of a proportionate increase, there would be no inducement to the Commission to proceed with the work.

The deputation will report to a future meeting of the committee. No claimant need for extension. A meeting of Leith Chamber of Commerce was held when Mr. David Bell, the Chamber's representative on Leith Dock Commission, reported on the work of the Commission during the past year and discussed the proposed extension of the dock system. Over £150,000 would be spent on new works. Additional pumping and power stations were in contemplation, which would greatly improve the coal shipping facilities, at the port.

Under pressure of the Government to relieve unemployment, the Commissioners were quite willing to go on with dock extensions, although there was no claimant need for new docks, if the Government would grant them the same terms as they gave to local authorities to make roads, water

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The most important feature of the White Star Line's schedule of sailing for 1930 is the introduction of the new motor-vessel Britannic (27,000 tons), the largest British-built vessel of her type, which is advertised to sail on her maiden voyage on April 12 from Liverpool to New York. There are also a number of other features of interest, not the least of which is the fact that the new vessel, in conjunction with the Cedric (21,227 tons), will maintain the fortnightly Boston service to and from the Mersey.

The company is making a bid for increased Irish business, for in addition to the call of the Megantic at Galway on the spring and early summer sailing to Montreal, this service will be strengthened by the Cedric, which will call at Galway as well as Queenstown, on March 8 and 31, April 28, and May 29, en route to New York. These special sailings will be supplementary to the weekly service to the States, and the fortnightly service to Canada, from Ireland.

The Liverpool to Canada service will be improved by the introduction of the liners Albertic (19,000 tons) and the Arabic (16,821 tons), thus providing a weekly service from Liverpool, Belfast and Glasgow to Quebec and Montreal during the St. Lawrence season. A new departure for northern ports will be the appearance, once a month, of the Adriatic (24,568 tons) at Belfast and Glasgow, bound for New York.

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Two new ports appear in the schedule for 1930: one is Galway, referred to above, and the other is Cardiff, where the Megantic is making two special calls, on March 6 and 30, en route for Canada. It is probable, also, that the Baltic will call Cardiff on her July sailing for New York.

The schedule proves a very popular feature in the introduction of two short-cabin cruises of 19 days, at the beginning of the year, from England to the Mediterranean by the Megantic, at a cost which need not exceed £30 for the ship's fare. It is of interest to note that with the introduction of the Britannic, the White Star Line can claim five records—by possessing the world's largest liner, the Majestic (35,021 tons); the largest triple-screw steamer, the Olympic (45,324 tons); the largest twin-screw steamer, the Cedric (21,227 tons); the largest British-built motor-vessel, the Britannic (27,000 tons); and the largest steamer sailing regularly to Australia, via the Cape, the Cedric (21,227 tons).

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*JEYPORE	5,318	25th Jan.	Marseilles, London, Hull, Hamburg, Rotterdam & Antwerp.
*MANTUA	10,946	1st Feb.	Marseilles, London, Hull, Hamburg, Rotterdam & Antwerp.
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TAKIWA	7,538	30th Jan.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
MACDONIA	11,120	31st Jan.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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22; northerly therefrom to the east-
ward of a line ranging 26 degrees from
the southeast corner of City Pier No.
16, Staten Island, to the light at south-
west end of Governors Island.

"Par. 22. To the northward of a line
ranging 271½ degrees from Coney
Island Lighthouse on Norton Point to the
south point of Hoffman Island; to the
eastward of a line ranging 342 de-
grees through a point 250 yards due
west from the west edge of Fort La-
fayette and a point 300 yards due
east from Robins Reef Lighthouse;
and to the southward of a line due east
through Fort Hamilton Southwest
Buoy No. 20, excluding anchorage 49
(c) and 49 (c-1), as amended (see
Paragraph No. 49), and reserving for
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to exceed forty-eight hours the portion
of this anchorage to the westward of
a line ranging 343 degrees from a
point due west 700 yards from Coney
Island Lighthouse to Fort Hamilton
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while awaiting quarantine examina-
tion, when the temporary quarantine
anchorage of Station Island is fully
utilized.

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within the following limits. To the
eastward of a line bearing 328 de-
grees tangent to the west face of Fort
Lafayette and ranging to Robins Reef
Lighthouse; to the southward of a line
bearing 100-3 degrees and ranging
through Fort Wadsworth Bell Buoy
No. 23, Gravesend Anchorage Upper
Buoy 'A' and the outer end of
northerly pier at Ulmer Park; to the
westward of a line bearing 152 de-
grees and ranging from Fort Hamilton
Southwest Buoy No. 20 to Coney Island
Lighthouse; to the northward of
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Tian via S'ow & S'hai	KWANGSANG	Sun., 12th Jan. at 7 a.m.
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Tian via S'ow & S'hai	HOBSANG	Sun., 19th Jan. at 7 a.m.
Osaka via Amoy, Shanghai	HOSANG	Mon., 20th Jan. at 7 a.m.
Osaka via Amoy, Shanghai	NAMSANG	Sat., 1st Feb. at 7 a.m.
Osaka via Amoy, Moji	KUTSANG	Tues., 11th Feb. at 7 a.m.
Osaka via Amoy, Moji	YUENSANG	Tues., 18th Feb. at 7 a.m.
S'pore, Penang & Calcutta	SUISANG	Fri., 17th Jan. at 3 p.m.
S'pore, Penang & Calcutta	KUMSANG	Thurs., 23rd Jan. at 3 p.m.
Sandakan	HINSANG	Fri., 10th Jan. at Noon
Sandakan	MAUSANG	Fri., 24th Feb. at 3 p.m.
Tientsin via Foochow and	CHIFSHING	Fri., 17th Jan. at 7 a.m.
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and Japan on January 8:—
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Henri, C. White, Mr. and Mrs. L. An-
dras, K. Goto, R. Kawamura, K.
Hayashida, M. Miyamoto, M. Yuki,
K. Koriyama, S. Enoki, S. Nakamura,
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WARSHIPS IN PORT

British warships in port this morn-
ing were:—

In Basin of R.N. Dockyard:
"Tamar," "Cornflower," "Marazion,"
"Iroquois."

West Wall: "Kent" (flagship).

In Dock: "Seraph," "Petersfield,"
"Sterling."

No. 4 Buoy: "Herald."

No. 8 Buoy: "Bruce."

No. 11 Buoy: "Thracian."

No. 12 Buoy: "Magnolia."

No. 13 Buoy: "Sirdar."

A COURTEOUS ACTION

The bit of Holland which is
now for ever Czechoslovakia deserves
a place in the record of international
agreements in 1929. Communism, the
Bohemian teacher-hero, died in 1870
at Amsterdam. He was buried in the
little Gothic church of Naarden and
over his bones the Czechoslovak Gov-
ernment exchanged diplomatic notes
with the Government of the Nether-
lands. The Dutch Government refus-
ed to part with Communism. It did
better: it gave the church at Naarden as
a present to Czechoslovakia!

IMPROVING SMALL HARBOURS

Mr. W. Rundman, M.P., has
drawn the attention of Mr. J. H.
Thomas (Minister for Unemployment)
to the need of doing something to im-
prove and bring more up-to-date the
small harbours of the country which
are not under any statutory authority.
Correspondence on the matter has now
got to close quarters, and Mr. Thomas
is going into the matter himself per-
sonally.

HONG KONG TIDE

The tide-table given below has
been obtained by aid of the Tide-pre-
dicting Machine, which includes 46
components for the better prediction
of tides, from the result of the
analysis of the tidal observations
taken at the Kowloon tidal observa-
tory under the direction of Dr.
Dobroslav during the years 1887, 1888
and 1889.
The times and heights are given
for Kowloon; but they may be used
for the Victoria Naval Yard and
Abodeen, the differences being very
small.
The times of high and low-water
must not be considered to coincide
with the times of slack-water and
change of current, the two phenomena
being quite distinct.

January 8 to 14, 1930.

DATE	HIGH WATER	LOWER WATER
	Standard Times	Standard Times
January		
Wed. 8	2 8 5.5	10 3 5.5
Thurs. 9	4 18 6.0	10 18 6.0
Fri. 10	6 48 6.5	11 48 6.5
Sat. 11	8 18 7.0	13 18 7.0
Sun. 12	9 48 7.5	14 48 7.5
Mon. 13	11 18 8.0	16 18 8.0
Tues. 14	12 48 8.5	17 48 8.5

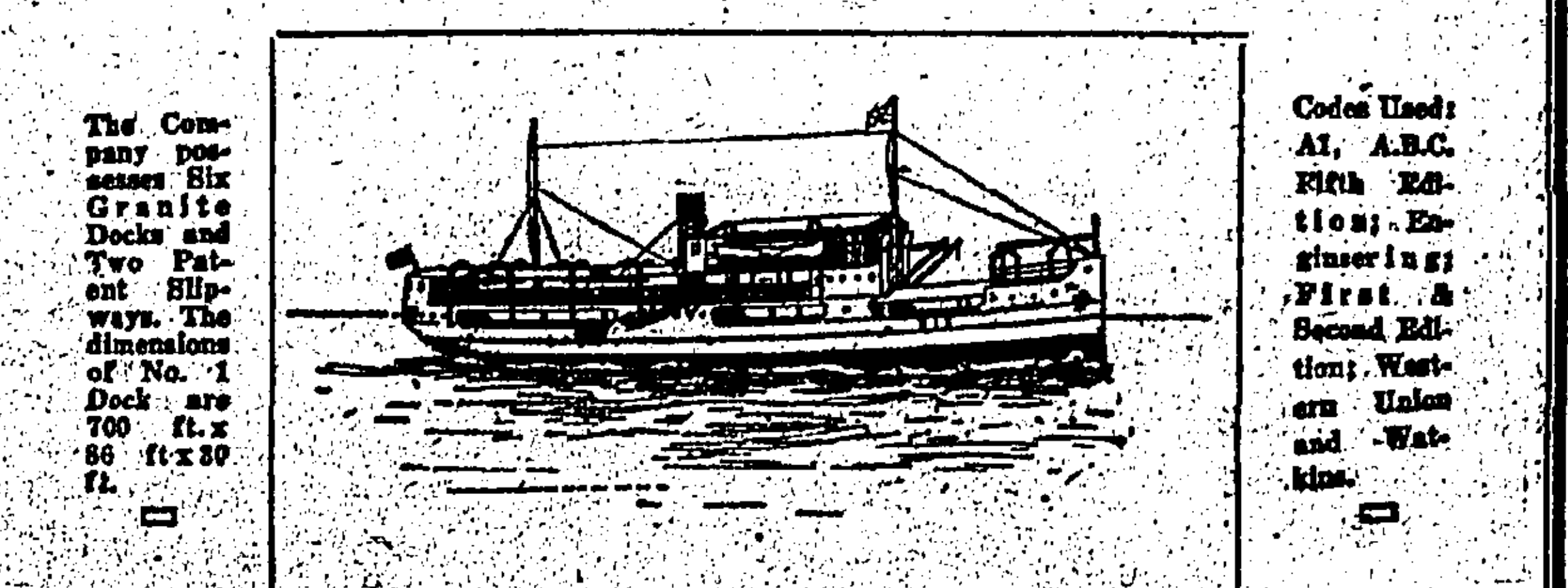
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A FIFTH DIMENSION

Professor And New Scientific Theory

A MISSING LINK

The Solution Of Great Riddles In Physics

BAFFLING PROBLEMS

Is there a fifth dimension? Professor O. W. Richardson, Director of Research in Physics at King's College, London, who has just been awarded the Nobel Prize in Science, thinks there may be. The theory is one of profound interest to scientists throughout the world, for if a fifth dimension were demonstrable in mathematics, it is believed it would supply a much-needed link in many of the baffling problems of physics.

Professor Richardson, in a statement to the Sunday Times, could not predict what the fifth dimension, if discovered, might prove to be.

Sir Ernest Rutherford, President of the Royal Society, said that mathematical analysis often suggests the possibility of unexpected relations which can be made the subject of fruitful experiment.

PHYSICS MAZE

Professor Richardson said:— "Physics has become more and more 'incomprehensible.' Those who think that the Quantum Theory leads one to a domain where the law of cause and effect seems to have vanished may be overlooking the possibility of some other, yet unknown, law entirely unpredictable.

"Indeed," he went on, "I am not sure if there is not a fifth dimension, which would serve to explain a great deal of the phenomena, and there are already a few facts that could be co-ordinated with such an hypothesis.

"For instance, you could interpret along these lines the fact that the number of elements is limited to ninety-four, and the extraction of electrons from cold conductors by strong electric fields.

"As it is, the hypothesis is sometimes used as the basis of theoretical physics, and I should not be surprised if it did not eventually prove a link between the at present disparate Quantum and Relativity Theories."

He admitted that it sounded fantastic enough, and that the evidence on which the idea was adduced was too long and tortuous for a lay mind in a brief interview. But, he said, many years ago, when he was first working on electrons, he never thought that the world would ever be of interest to anyone; and to-day, as we know, all electrical engineers must have knowledge of that work, and there are few homes where its application has not become familiar in the form of a wireless set.

When asked if he could conceive what a fifth dimension might be, Professor Richardson smiled and said he could not.

Scientists' Views

Here are some opinions of leading scientists:—

Professor A. V. Hill: "The theory of a possible fifth dimension is new to me. I do not know anything about it."

Professor F. G. Donnan, Professor of Chemistry, London: "I do not wish to comment on the possibility, since I am not sufficiently informed upon it. The matter has been discussed in the latest mathematics of the relativity theory. That theory, under Einstein, finally brought in, some years ago, the gravitational field but not the electro-magnetic field."

"In the early 1920's, from the mathematicians working on the matter, perhaps the most important contributions were made by Prof. A. S. Eddington and the Continental mathematician, Weyl. Then, last year, Einstein brought out his new unitary field theory, by which he brought together the two fields. The mathematics involved were of a most complicated nature, using 4-dimensional geometry. Now some of the very latest thinkers have begun to believe that the matter would perhaps be simpler if a 5-dimensional geometry were assumed. It is also true that another great difficulty has been the linking up of the Relativity and Quantum Theories, and Professor Richardson is quite right in saying that a 5-dimensional geometry is necessary for bringing them together."

Professor Donnan added (which is very tantalizing to the uninitiated): "I doubt if the fifth dimension can ever be conceived in any other than mathematical terms."

The Richardson Law

There is a great lot of King's College over the award of the Nobel Prize in Science for 1929 to Professor O. W. Richardson, F.R.S. Professor Richardson was the first to propose the Quantum Theory of the Photoelectric Effect in 1912, and was awarded the Nobel Prize in 1929 for his discovery of the Photoelectric Effect.

from hot bodies. This formula constitutes the basis of the action of the wireless valve, upon which wireless telephony and broadcasting depend. It is a matter of great gratification to the College that much of the work, on account of which this honour has been bestowed on Professor Richardson, has been carried out in the College laboratories, and that by it he has added to the great tradition established by his predecessors in the Wheatstone Chair—Wheatstone, Clerk Maxwell, and Barkla, who himself was awarded the Nobel Prize some years ago.

Copley Medal

Professor Max Planck, the German who discovered the Quantum Theory, was awarded by the Royal Society the Copley Medal—perhaps the highest scientific award in the world.

Sir Ernest Rutherford, O.M., President of the Society, who made the presentation, remarked:—

"It is no exaggeration to say that the development of the idea of the quantum of action, first formulated by Planck nearly thirty years ago, has effected not only a veritable revolution in physics, but profoundly changed our methods of thought and concepts of philosophy."

Other awards included Royal Medals to Professor J. E. Littlewood and to Professor R. Muir; the Davy Medal to Professor G. N. Lewis; and the Hughes Medal to Professor Hans Geiger.

During his anniversary address Sir Ernest Rutherford said:—

"In watching the advance of science, and particularly of the physical sciences, to-day, one cannot fail to be struck by the very close connection between theory and experiment—a relation which is probably more intimate than at any other period of scientific history. Every new experimental observation is at once seized upon to test whether it can be explained by existing theories, and, if not, to find the modifications necessary to include it in the general theoretical scheme of natural processes."

"The mathematical analysis often suggests the possibility of unexpected relations which can be made the subject of fruitful experimentation. These two, in a sense, complementary branches of physics, profoundly react and interact with each other, and their united efforts lead to a greatly accelerated rate of advance in knowledge and understanding of the essential principles involved. The rapidity of advance in physics, which has been so marked a feature in the last decade, is mainly due to this close combination of theory with experiment."

He then referred to a number of recent discoveries during the past year as they were viewed by physicists and chemists.

Young Men's Discoveries

Sir Oliver Lodge, referring to the president's survey of recent scientific discoveries, in a statement to the Press, representative after the meeting, said that young men had been working so hard and making discoveries so fast that it was difficult to keep pace with them.

Speaking of Professor Planck's work, Sir Oliver said that the Professor had revolutionized the treatment of the whole field of physics. "I consider that his discovery of the quantum is perhaps of more importance than relativity," added Sir Oliver. "His new invention will have a very important effect upon the future development of science and upon the general character of the world."

BRIDGE COLLAPSES

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AT THE QUEEN'S

Although the Fox Movietone production, "Speak Easy," is an all-talking picture, there are many tuneful moments furnished by virtue of Sharon Lynn's vocal talents and Henry B. Walthall's piano playing, which are important parts in the relating of the story.

A great deal of the action takes place in one of New York's world famous, thirst-quenching, palaces, and Miss Lynn portrays the character of Maltz, entertainer, and Walthall takes the role of Fuzzy, piano player.

The singing of Miss Lynn and the piano playing of Mr. Walthall are woven into two highly dramatic episodes which are nerve-tangling when they are revealed on the screen of the Queen's Theatre. Paul Page and Lola Lane, two new comers to motion pictures, are cast in the leading romantic roles with Helen Ware, Warren Hymer, Ivan Linow, Marjorie Beebe, Stuart Erwin, Erville Alderson and James Guiffroy in major characterizations.

Benjamin Stoloff, veteran Fox director, took the company to New York City for exterior scenes. Edwin Burke, well-known writer of dramatic sketches, prepared the working story and wrote the dialogue for "Speak Easy."

"Evangeline"

A woman's life time of devotion to her one love is, basically, the theme of Dolores Del Rio's latest United Artists film, "Evangeline," which will be seen at the Queen's Theatre to-morrow. Produced and directed by Edwin Carewe, from Finis Fox's screen play, the story is a humanized and dramatized version of Longfellow's memorable tale of Acadia.

In its filming "Evangeline" reveals historical facts and events, in which thousands of people participate, and concentrates on Evangeline's romance, her moments of happiness and despair, focusing the attention of its reviewers on the maid of Grand Pre, because she is the dominating character of the village. In his picturization, Mr. Carewe has shown that "Evangeline" possesses not only one of the most tender romances of American literature, but also deals with a surging, human drama, the like of which few stories have ever revealed.

Roland Drew, Alec B. Francis, Donald Reed, Paul McAllister, James Marcus, George Marion, and Bobby Mack are prominent in Miss Del Rio's support.

"HIGH STEPPERS"

Clever Show At Majestic Theatre

Prior to their visit to Macao, which is probably to-morrow, the "High Steppers" (British Vaudeville Stars) gave a splendid entertainment at the Majestic Theatre, yesterday. The programme included six variations.

Sid Clarke, the novelty musician, gave a remarkable exposition of his skill on the violin.

Alice Benna gave a delightful dancing turn, entitled the "Electric Spark" yesterday. It being her birthday, cordial greetings were given her by the artists. Some great fun was afforded by Bert Deal with his present—Mahomet Kassim.

The Australian-Indian, Mahomet Kassim, delighted the audience with his rendering of popular songs. Bert Deal and Company completed the variety show with a skit, appropriately named "Merry Moments."

Kassim gave an impersonation, by the megaphone, of a record singer rendering "The Rose," which was exceptionally clever and received prolonged applause.

"EILEEN OF THE TREES"

An entirely British production adapted from a book written by H. de Vere Stacpoole, "Eileen of the Trees" is being screened at the Majestic Theatre for the last time to-day.

The director has not been reluctant in the production, for it does really give one a very good idea of life in the Mews, London.

The scenery is pretty throughout, Kensington Park, the Tower of London, the Houses of Parliament, and the lovely St. Paul's Cathedral being included in some of the scenes.

The story is one of elvish and romance, simply telling the splendid acting of Amy Onda, Randle, and Bromley-Davenport, Floss McLaughlin, and Maud Gill—an all-British cast.

SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN "CHINA MAIL"

Social Functions

To-day—Tea Dances at Hong Kong Hotel and Peninsula Hotel, 4.30 p.m.

To-day—Dinner Dances at Hong Kong Hotel and Peninsula Hotel, 8.30 p.m.

Jan. 10—Second annual dance of the Hong Kong Ladies' Hockey Club, at Lang, Crawford's Restaurant, 8.45 p.m.

Jan. 11—Royal Marines Old Comrades Association Dinner.

Entertainments

To-day—Queen's Theatre, "Speak Easy."

To-day—Star Theatre, "Slide, Kelly, Slide."

To-day—World Theatre, "Woman Disputed."

To-day—Majestic Theatre, "Eileen of the Trees," also the "High Steppers."

To-morrow—Helena May Institute Concert, 8.30 p.m.

Sport

To-day—Fanning Hunt and Race Club Hounds meet, Hunter's Arms, 3.30 p.m.

January 12—Fanning Hunt and Race Club Paper Chase, Souza's Bungalow, 11.30 a.m.

Lammerts' Auctions

To-morrow—At Sales Room, Duddell Street, household and office furniture, 2.30 p.m.

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January 10—At 8, Granville Road, (second floor) household furniture, 11 a.m.

Miscellaneous

Jan. 11—Opening of Scout Officers' Training Camp and Scouts' Company Ground, Saiwan Bay 3.30 p.m.

January 13—Hong Kong University Congregation Day, 5 p.m.

Radio

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on 355 metres:—

5.00-6.00 p.m.—Programme of Columbia records supplied by courtesy of Anderson Music Co., Limited.

"Garden Cove" (Billy Mayer), Court Symphony Orchestra.

"Keys of Heaven" (Novelty Variations) (arr. Casey).

"Annie Laurie" (Novelty Variations) (arr. Casey).

"Organ Solo by Terrace Casey."

"Nocturne" (Debussy), Orchestra 7, La Societe Des Co. cert.

"Mercenary Mary" (a little bit tender of you) (Irving Caesar).

Peggy O'Neil & A. W. Backcomb.

"Mercenary Mary, they still look good to me" (Friedlander & Conrad).

Low Hearn & Chorus.

"Community Meeting Quick Step" (arr. Debroy Somers).

"A hunting melody Quick Step" (arr. Debroy Somers).

"On the beach at Bangaloo" (Herbert & McBean).

"Sing Hoi for the day of drinking" (Rose & Stenrod Bennett).

Norman Long.

"The Turkish Patrol" (Michaels).

"American Patrol" (Meehan).

Organ Solo by Pattman.

"Mississippi" (A. tone journey) (F. Grofe).

Jack Payne & the B.B.C. Concert Orchestra.

6.00-7.00 p.m.—Chinese Programme.

7.48 p.m.—Weather Report.

8.00 p.m.—Programme of Columbia records.

"Virginia" (Selection) (Waller & Tunbridge).

London Theatre Orchestra.

"The Gipsy Ark" (Holt).

(Harold Shippen & Stanley Holt).

Mark Daly, Raymond Newell, Eddie Joyce, Billy Leonard, Norman Williams & Chorus.

"Norwegian Rhapsody" (Lalo).

Orchestra Symphonique (of Paris).

"Come, silver moon" (London Orchestra).

"Al" (Doddson, arr. Beely).

"Love's dream" (Liebstraum) (Doddson & Liebst, arr. Beely).

Dora Labadie and Hubert Black with J. H. Squire.

Chorus.

"Chant Sans Paroles" (Tchaikovsky, arr. Beely).

"Invitation to the Waltz" (Weber, arr. Beely).

"The Young Form" (St. Michaels) (Will Hay).

"Comedy sketch by Will Hay" (Goldmark, arr. Beely).

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Plan To Increase Chinese
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Banks.							
Hong Kong Bank	\$	1305	1200	1305	Dec.	[Interim 2 1/2 a/o 1923 for 1922]—\$2.13 [Interim 7 1/2 a/o 1923 free 7/100]	Aug. 6, 23
Chartered Bank	\$	...	...	164	Dec.	...	Sept. — 23
Mercantile Bk., A.B. & C.	\$	...	...	381	Dec.	...	Oct. — 23
Bank of Asia	\$	35	...	151	Dec.	81 and bonus 81 making \$3 for 1923	Feb. 16, 23
Insurances.							
Canton Ins.	\$	595	...	...	Dec.	[Final 3 1/2 for 1921 Interim 5 1/2 a/o 1923] for 1922—\$4.00	May 23, 23
Union Ins.	\$	367	...	...	Dec.	[Final 30 free 1921 Interim 2 1/2 a/o 1923]	May 24, 23
China Underwriters	\$	2	...	...	Dec.	None	...
China Fire Ins.	\$	320	...	...	Dec.	[Final 30 bonus 30 for 1922]—\$18	May 24, 23
H. K. Fire Ins.	\$	316	...	...	Dec.	\$15 for 1921	Mar. 30, 23
Shipping.							
Douglases	\$	...	...	25 1/2	Dec.	Last dividend for 1924	...
H. K. Steamboats	\$	...	...	27 1/2	Dec.	\$1. for 1923 [1 1/2 ex. 2 1/2 for 1924 and 1925]	Feb. 10, 23
Indo-China (Pref.)	\$	...	...	43	Dec.	Last dividend for 1921	June 10, 23
Shell Transports	\$	...	...	70	Dec.	[Final 30 free 1921 Interim 3 1/2 a/o 1923]	Jan. 6, 23
Union Waterboats	\$	28 1/2	...	36 1/2	Dec.	[1 1/2 and bonus 2 1/2 making \$1.50 for 1923]	Jan. 31, 23
Mining.							
Benguet	\$	470	...	...	Dec.	[Interim 20 centavo making 15 centavo] 5/10 for 1922 (on preference) (Coupon No. 51 for 30-0-22)	Dec. — 23
Kailan Mining Ad. s/- Langkat (Comb.) Tls. (Single)	\$	...	...	56/- 18.60 7 1/2	June Oct.	Last div. for year 31-10-27	...
S'hai Exploration	\$	...	...	1.30	Dec.	None	...
Loans	\$	...	...	5	Dec.	Last dividend for 1923	...
Traos	\$	11 1/2	...	...	Mar.	Interim 3/5 a/o year 31-3-30	Dec. 13, 23
Trench Mines	\$	...	...	21/-	Dec.	4 1/2 less tax Coupon No. 91	Sep. 30, 23
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.							
H. K. & S. Wharves	\$	144	...	145	Dec.	81 & Bonus 81 making \$3 for 1923	Mar. 7, 23
H. K. & W. Docks	\$	32 1/2	...	...	Dec.	Last dividend for 1924	...
China Piers	\$	3.40	5.65	...	Dec.	Last dividend for 1924	...
Hongkows	\$	...	...	100	Dec.	Interim T. 5 a/o 1923	Sep. 12, 23
N. Engineerings	\$	...	...	7 1/2	Dec.	T. 0.40 ordinary for 1923	Mar. 15, 23
Shanghai Docks	\$	...	...	100	Apr.	T. 7.50 for 7r. ending 30-4-20 Return Tls. 23	July 27, 23 Oct. 25, 23
Cotton Mills.							
Ewo Cottons	\$	16 1/2	16 1/2	60	Dec.	Interim T. 0.40 a/o 1923	Aug. 23, 23
S'hai Cotton (old) Tls. (new)	\$	33	...	54	(Apr. and Oct.)	T. 5-50 old for half year T. 1-55 new 21-10-23	Nov. 20, 23
Zoong Sings	\$	10	...	...	June	T. 0-50 for year 30-4-23	Oct. 11, 23
Lbds, Hotels & Buildings.							
H.K. & S. Hotels	\$	12.10	...	11.00	Dec.	Last dividend for 1924	...
H. K. Lands	\$	35	...	65	Dec.	Interim 3 1/2 a/o 1923	Aug. 2, 23
Shanghai Lands	\$	...	...	61	Dec.	Interim T. 5 a/o 1923	July 31, 23
Hunphrys	\$	14	...	...	Dec.	30 cents and bonus 20 cents making \$1 for 1923	Feb. 8, 23
H. K. Realties	\$	...	...	3	Dec.	Interim 50 cents a/o 1923	Aug. 13, 23
Chinese Estates	\$	38	...	...	Feb.	\$1 for year 23-2-20	June 5, 23
Public Utilities.							
H. K. Tramways	\$	10	...	11 1/2	Apr.	Interim 50 cents a/o 1923	Aug. 27, 23
Malayan (old) (new)	\$	...	...	9.06	Dec.	\$1 on old for year 10 on new 30-4-23	June 7, 23
Star Ferries	\$	...	...	71	Dec.	30 and bonus \$1.50 for 1923 (Final 100 cents 10-7-23) a-o 23	Feb. 16, 23
China Light	\$	...	...	19 1/2	Sept.	[Final 100 (old) cents 10-7-23] a-o 23	Dec. 13, 23
H. K. Electric	\$	39 1/2	...	70	Dec.	\$2.50 on old \$1.25 on new for 1923	Mar. 23, 23
Macao	\$	23	...	...	Dec.	...	...
Sandakan Lights	\$	...	...	2 1/2	June	None	...
H. K. Telephones	\$	...	...	...	Dec.	Interim 10 cents a/o 1923	Sep. 13, 23
China Buses	\$	16 1/2	...	...	Dec.	T. 0.60 for 1923	Feb. 21, 23
S'pore Tricorona (Ord. s/-) (Pref. s/-)	\$	10/-	...	10/-	Dec.	1/- on preference	Feb. 6, 23
Industrials.							
China Sugars	\$	...	...	...	...	In Liquidation	...
Malayan Sugars	\$	...	...	17	Dec.	P. 2 for 1	

Sport Columns

FAVOURITES IN THE F.A. CUP

QUOTATIONS FOR FINAL ON APRIL 26

LOWEST PRICES AT TEN'S

Considerable interest is being evinced in the Football Association Cup—with its wonderful Final on April 26—at Home. The following prices are stated to have been quoted for the various clubs remaining in the competition and such can be obtained locally.

The favourites are at 10 to 1 against. Details follow:—

100	Rotherham
66	Charlton
100	Cheshamfield
100	Wrexham
16	Birmingham
200	Corinthians
100	Coventry
20	Arsenal
100	West Ham
100	Tottenham Hotspur
10	Wednesday
10	Derby County
200	Walsall
100	Fulham
100	Brighton
14	Blackburn
10	Aston Villa
66	Bradford City
50	Bury
14	Leeds
16	Liverpool
33	Blackpool
20	Portsmouth
150	Clapton Orient
20	Manchester United
66	Barnsley
16	Newcastle
200	Doncaster
18	Sheffield United
100	Plymouth
100	Carlisle
33	Oldham
50	Notts Forest
150	Queens Park Rangers
25	Middlesbrough
40	West Bromwich
12	Bolton Wanderers
50	Millwall
25	Sunderland
25	Chelsea
50	Notts County
10	Manchester City
20	Burnley
100	Bristol City
100	Swansea
100	Bournemouth
50	Grimsby
100	Northampton
66	Reading
66	Southampton
16	Huddersfield
100	Crystal Palace
40	Cardiff
100	Stockport
66	Preston North End
200	Bristol Rovers
150	Swindon
50	Bradford
150	York
50	Stoke
20	Lefcester
50	Hull City
25	Everton
50	Wolverhampton.

FOOTBALL

An Interport football trial match will be played to-day at Sookumpoo, kick-off 4.15 p.m., when the Selected XI will meet the Royal Navy. The referee will be Op. Evans, R.M.

RUGBY FOOTBALL

The following will represent the Club "A" against the Destroyer Flotilla to-day at 5 p.m. sharp: Back: S. J. H. Fox; Three-quarters: A. D. Copple, G. E. R. Divett, Churchhill, O. Skinner, Halfbacks: G. A. L. Plummer, I. F. Grant, Forwards: F. R. Burch, D. L. Milne, Day, R. C. Cherrill, R. D. Beaumont, Cox, Burnell, V. R. Gordon, E. F. Buttriss.

GOLF

Country Club Championship To Be Decided

F. E. Remedios and A. A. Lopes have qualified to meet in the final of the golf championship of the Country Club at Sheung Shui, which will be played on Sunday next year over 36 holes.

The results in the first round and semi-finals were as follows:

1st Round
A. A. Lopes beat E. Leitao 5 and 3.
E. D. da Rosa beat J. Basto 3 and 1.
J. M. Remedios beat C. G. Anderson 4 and 2.
F. E. Remedios beat A. W. da Rosa on 10th green.

Semi-Finals
A. A. Lopes beat E. D. da Rosa on 10th green.
F. E. Remedios beat J. M. Remedios 7 and 6.

TRIANGULAR TOURNAMENT IN CANTON

SCOTLAND DEFEATS AMERICA

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Canton, Yesterday. At Tungshan on Sunday Scotland defeated America in the Triangular Tournament by the large margin of 9½ points to 1½. They led after the morning's play in the singles by 4½ points to 1½, the results of the individual matches being as follows:—

Scotland		America	
J. M. Walker	1 pt.	Duggan	0 pt.
W. Galloway	1	F. Sandstrom	0
J. T. Smith	1	J. Manning	0
A. T. Lay	0	B. Anthony	1
N. B. Weir	1	W. Gilman	0
O. Rutherford	½	P. T. Carey	½

In the three four-ball matches in the afternoon Scotland won two and halved the third, which gave them a margin of 5 points to 1. The results are as follows:—

Scotland		America	
J. M. Walker	2 pts.	Duggan	0 pts.
N. B. Weir	2 pts.	W. Gilman	0 pts.
A. T. Lay	2	J. Manning	0
J. T. Smith	2	B. Anthony	0
W. Galloway	1 pt.	F. Sandstrom	0
O. Rutherford	1 pt.	P. T. Carey	1 pt.

England will play America in the early part of February.

BILLIARDS

Sailors Lose To St. Patrick's Club

In a match at St. Patrick's Club, St. Patrick's defeated H.M.S. Hermes by 21 points. The scores were as follows:

St. Patrick's		H.M.S. Hermes	
F. M. da Cruz	150	Winter	138
H. Painter	145	Stafford	160
W. Finch	107	Tolchard	160
E. Nuttall	150	Pearcy	118
E. Fryer	132	Stokes	160
L. E. Remedios	150	Wynters	112
834		813	

KNOWS HIS WORTH

Babe Ruth Declines Offer of \$75,000 A Year

New York, Yesterday. "Babe" Ruth has declined a New York Yankee's offer for a two years' contract at \$75,000 yearly, demanding a three years' contract at \$85,000 yearly. Reuter's American Service.

HOCKEY

Canton Club Draw With Navy

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Canton, Yesterday. In a rugged game yesterday afternoon a Club side drew with the Navy who were represented by the Moth and Seamew. The Club had the better of the play, but their forwards were unable to finish in front of the goal. The Navy, who did not often get within shooting distance of the Club's goal, were decidedly dangerous when they did and put in some hot shots.

Play opened with the Club scoring with a fine shot by R. T. O. Lammer. Shortly after the Navy equalised with a cross shot by Lt. Hill-Walker, who came in from the left wing. Play settled down after this and the Club pressed steadily, but were only able to get one more goal before half-time—again scored by Lammer.

In the second half the game was ding-dong with the defence on both sides being too much for the forwards, who were broken up again and again. W. R. Ashby scored the Club's third goal with a solo run from the Navy's 25 yard line, making the scores 3-1. After this, however, the Navy began pressing and brought the scores level, before the Club recovered and took the ball into their half, where it remained for the last 10 minutes of play.

The Club team comprised: Ankerally; B. Rasmussen, O. Friessner; F. Kavaranaah, F. E. W. Lammer (Capt.), M. Gavin; L. B. Wood; W. R. Ashby, R. T. O. Lammer; T. C. Marshall, and E. H. Shekury.

The University second eleven will be represented by the following in a friendly hockey match against the Y.M.C.A. to-morrow, at 5 p.m., at King's Park.—A. A. Aziz (Capt.), S. C. Ho, N. Chamareet, Kho Nalpo, T. W. Goh, Ng Kam-soi, James, Nolasco, J. Gutierrez, O. de Souza, A. B. Suleman, Reserves, S. L. Wong, A. Gosano, and H. E. M. Adams.

RACE SWEEPS

Attitude Of Straits Government

The attitude of the Government vis-a-vis the Turf Clubs on the question of the sweeps has now been referred to in some detail at both the meeting of the Penang and the Selangor Turf Clubs and has, in consequence, become a subject of general discussion wherever those interested in racing matters congregate. There can, therefore, (says the Singapore Free Press) be no reason for refraining from comment upon a matter which is of vital interest to all the Clubs. Our own attitude in the matter is well-known now and it is perhaps only necessary to repeat that the sweeps appear to be nothing but a wholly undesirable excrescence upon a fine sport. It would be far better that public opinion should bring about any reform in the matter than that such reform should be forced from outside, and we do not believe that those who are really interested in racing would raise any serious objection to their abolition. But the matter has also to be regarded from the financial side, more particularly in view of the fact that almost all the Clubs either have undertaken, or contemplate, very extensive ground developments. It is plain in such cases that their executives have to consider very carefully finance aspects and the abolition of the sweeps would reduce very materially the Clubs' revenues.

Addition to Tote Revenue. A part of that reduction would be made up by increased use of the Tote, but such addition would not fully make it up. Selangor estimates that an additional \$10,000 per race, or 2,000 tickets, would be required. It is hard to believe that anything like that figure would actually be reached merely because of the absence of sweeps. Possibly at a rough guess, an addition of 40 per cent. to the Tote revenue per race might be expected. The Government suggestion, as stated at the two meetings, is that it might be possible to grant "open" tote facilities for race days. That, it is to be assumed, would imply admission by payment (as well as on membership qualification) with presumably, the installation of a "popular" price Tote for the cheap admissions. The results from such a Tote are not easy to forecast for expense of running in ratio to percentage on small value betting has to be considered, but it might be expected it would contribute a material sum towards the deficit occasioned by sweep abolition. But it is to be presumed further that Clubs contemplating moving might prefer such a plan to be deferred until they were able to make arrangements at their new courses. These are assumptions which are raised by the discussion which has taken place at the Club meetings and we have no official warrant or occasion to say anything more.

Salary of Steward

There is, however, another matter which is cognate to the general question of "expenses" and it arises from the question raised at the Selangor meeting regarding the salary of the new Stipendiary Steward. There is not a word to be said against the salary in connection with the actual person appointed, but we think the majority of sensible racing people will agree that the salary of the post as a post is preposterous. To pay \$24,000 a year to any one official in connection with what is nothing more than a matter of public amusement is waste of money. There are Ministers of the Imperial Cabinet who are getting less, whilst even here it may be supposed that a great many heads of important firms would look upon such a sum as more than worthy remuneration. This is not far short of double what we pay our Director of Education, or our Acting Colonial Secretary or our Chief Medical Officer. It is more than the Chief Justice gets and is higher even than the salary of the Colonial Secretary. There is no need to strain such comparisons but the general result must be that to pay such a sum to one official in connection with something which has no claim beyond that of being an amusement, is a patent misapplication of money. Racing is a great sport, it employs a number of people directly and indirectly, and it will always command our earnest advocacy but we suggest that the financial side of it has got completely out of reasonable control. We all need to come down from a cloud of unrealities and to recognize that at its best here it is nothing but an amusement and does not warrant the present scale of financial transaction which prevails throughout. At the present moment we are simply riding it in to the ground.

CRICKET

Late Sir E. Birch And Hong Kong

Reference has been made elsewhere (says the Singapore Free Press) to the great part played by the late Sir Ernest Birch in the establishment of cricket as one of the most popular games in Malaya. He was a former captain of the S.C.C. and of the Perak State XI at a time when it enjoyed a period of successes in its matches against the other States and Settlements. Looking at past records it is of interest to find that Sir Ernest Birch's 181 for the S.C.C. against the Royal Artillery in 1885 was one of the earliest three figure innings played in Singapore cricket—the two earlier scores being as far apart as 1867 and 1871. The records of the S.C.C. (it is stated in One Hundred Years of Singapore) include a list of averages from 1868 compiled by Sir Ernest Birch and from these it transpires that during the period from 1878 to 1887 Birch played 163 innings, scoring 2741 runs, and bowled 1020.3 overs to secure 238 wickets at a cost of 8.2 runs per wicket. His fame is not purely domestic and Sir Ernest's name will be found on the list of Malaya's interport representatives, for he played against Hong Kong at Hong Kong in 1890 and in Singapore in the following year, when he captained the Straits against Colombo and the Native States as well.

But Sir Ernest's sporting interests were wide and his death recalls the early days of the Ladies Lawn Tennis Club. That Club was founded in the 'seventies. Before then, again on the authority of the One Hundred Years, all the washerwomen—Chinese dobbies had not yet displaced Kling women in popular favour—congregated on the five acre lawn called Dhobi Green... and there (quoting a resident of the period) you will see the white shirts of His Excellency, perhaps, hanging in ignominious proximity to and on a level with yours." Anyhow, that particular section of the town bore a very different resemblance to what it does now, and Sir Ernest Birch—who then appears to have been Secretary to the Police Commissioner—was largely responsible for the change, for it was he who laid out the grounds.

OPIUM DEN SURPRISE

European Man & Woman Found Smoking

Muar and Johore Roads, Singapore, two notorious localities for illicit opium smoking and dealings in contraband, are frequently raided by Revenue Officers, but a surprise awaited a party which was active in the district a few nights ago.

On entering one of the many rich dens Revenue Officers were confronted with the sight of two Europeans reclining in the approved style on wooden platforms and smoking opium pipes! One of the Europeans was a woman and both are said to be French. A Chinese woman who was arrested in the house, 1-A Johore Road, was produced before Mr. C. H. G. Clarke, the District Judge and charged with being in possession of chandu dross. It was stated by the prosecution that when the Revenue Officers raided the house the accused woman attempted to give them the slip by getting into a room and concealing herself behind some mirrors. On a table were found packets of chandu and a small box containing jewellery. A further search revealed the presence of the two Europeans. A fine of \$50 was imposed on the woman.

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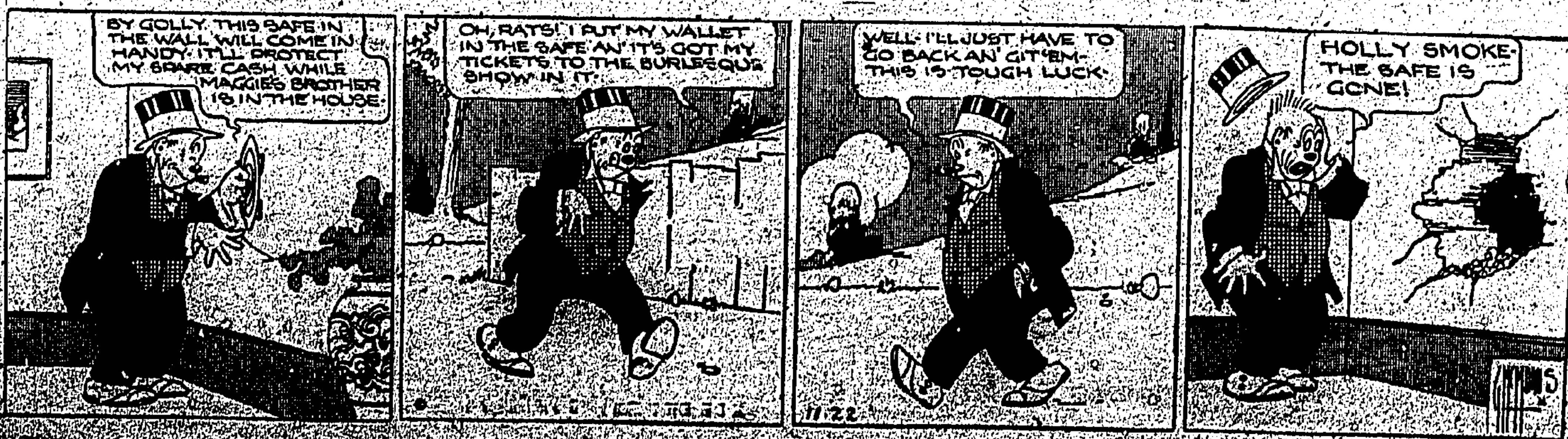
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World News In Pictures

Dog Racing In Shanghai



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androme, French Concession, Shanghai, were hosts to the officials of Luna Park and Stadium (the dog racing institutions of the Inter-few friends on the occasion of the joint meeting of the three courses, when Flo Green beat the remarkable Ruby over the 730-yards course Fong).

Abducted Priest



The Rev. Ulric Kreutzen, of Calumet, Michigan, who was recently abducted by bandits in Hopeh and released after six days' captivity.

Buffalo Replaces Eagle



U.S. Secretary of the Interior Wilbur with a copy of the new official seal of his department. Secretary Wilbur didn't like the eagle on the department's seal when he took charge last March and asked that a new seal be designed, saying that the eagle was so widely used that it had no distinction and that the one on the department's seal was a particularly sad-looking bird. A very fierce buffalo was designed and Dr. Wilbur liked it.

Pennsylvania Flier Derailed



Nine persons were killed and more than two score others were injured when eight coaches of a Pennsylvania Railroad Norfolk to New York excursion train jumped the track on December 1. The cars were piled up in a tangled mass.

Hill Folks Flogged



Alfred Brown, a local resident, is being flogged by a British official in the hill country of the North-West Frontier Province, India, for having refused to pay a tax on his land.

Ritual Murder Echo



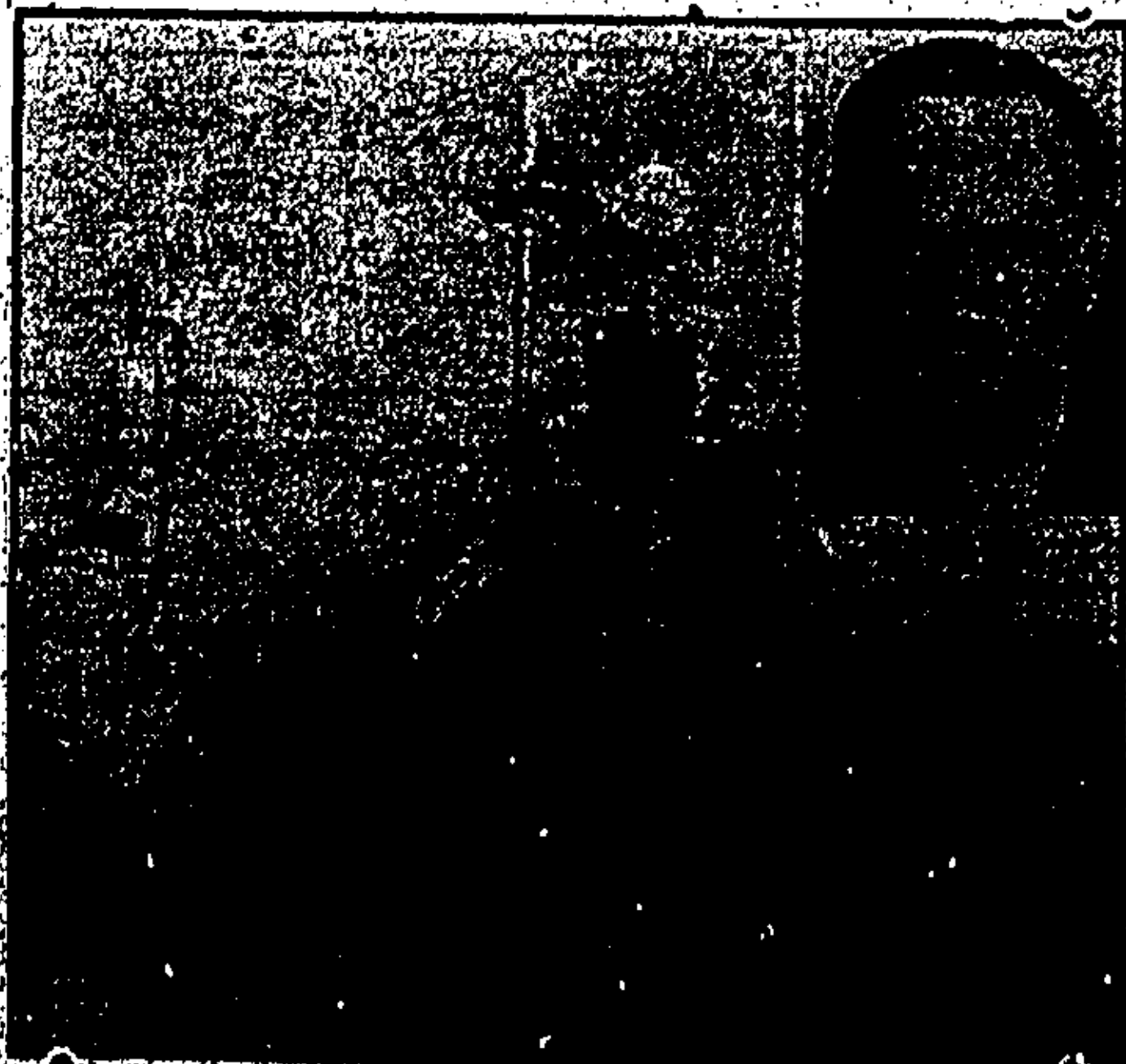
Sixteen years ago, the trial of Mandelo Bellis at the hands of the Russian Crown for ritual murder drew the attention of the civilised world. He passed two years in a Russian dungeon for another crime. Following his release from his prison, Bellis went to America and is now lying seriously ill in the Beth Israel Hospital, New York.

French Ace's New Record



Captain Dieudonne Coste with his aeroplane "The Question Mark" as he arrived in Shanghai after establishing a new world non-stop flight record by covering more than 5,500 miles from Le Bourget to Tsitsih, Northern Manchuria.

Snow Crystals From Air



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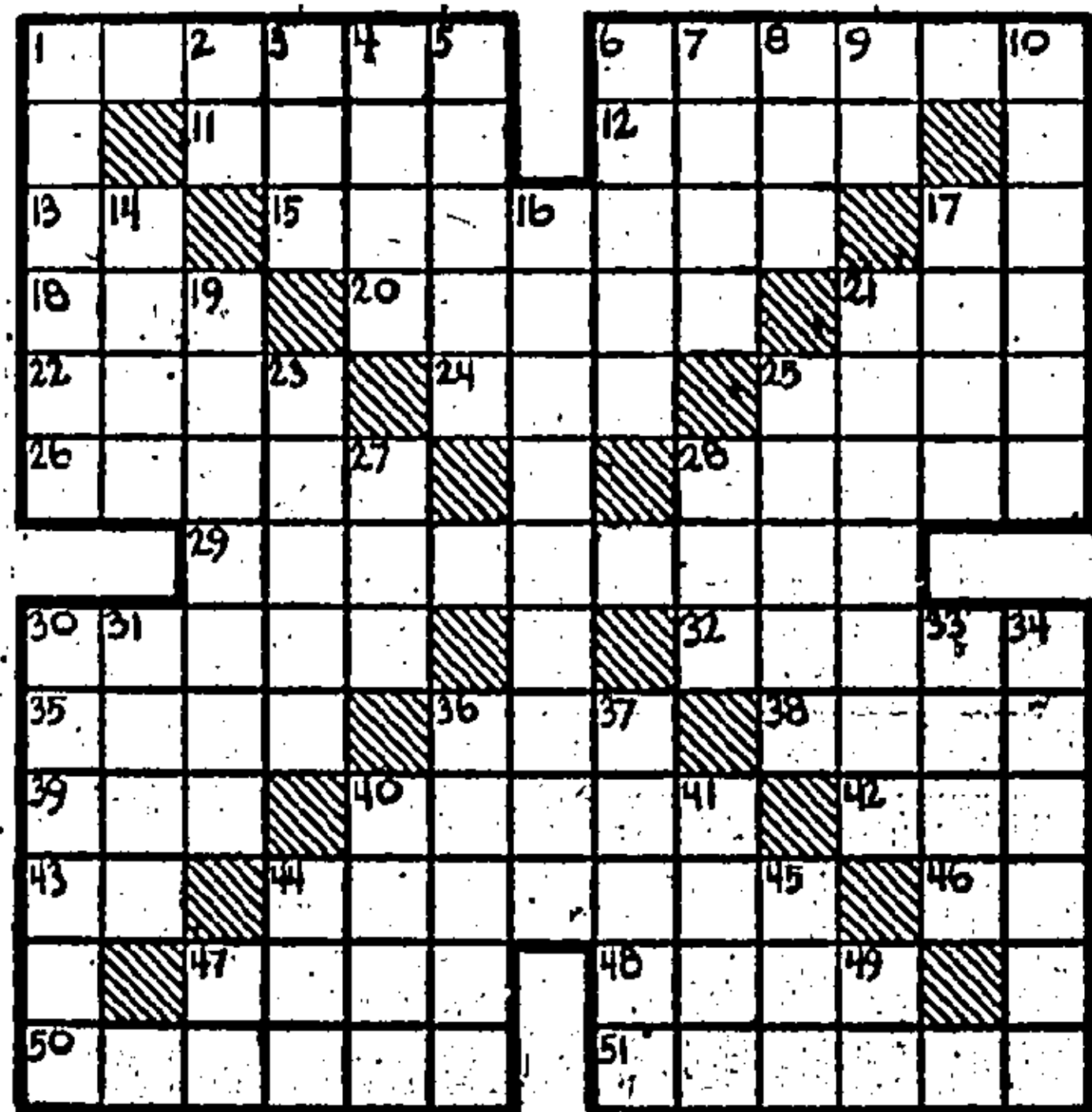
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL

- 1-A gas-burner
- 6-Daunted
- 11-New name for Christmas
- 12-Part of hand
- 13-Preposition
- 15-To toast
- 17-Manganese (abbr.)
- 18-Cover
- 20-Wave
- 21-To remove seeds from cotton
- 22-Elderly son of Isaac (Bib.)
- 24-A river in Scotland
- 25-A walking stick
- 26-Tears
- 28-Halper
- 29-A bird (pl.)
- 30-Salad
- 33-The lowest possible point
- 35-Amyra
- 36-A village
- 38-Feminine name
- 39-Morocco (abbr.)
- 40-Ascends

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 42-In not found
- 43-Promissory note (abbr.)
- 44-Wessel-like, fur-yielding animal (pl.)
- 46-Master of Surgery (abbr.)
- 47-Put on a garment
- 48-Principal
- 50-Discount
- 51-Straining of ligaments surrounding a joint

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 9-A measure of paper (abbr.)
- 10-The main meal
- 14-A river in N. France
- 16-Most becoming
- 17-To burrow
- 18-A Dane
- 21-A city in E. Alabama
- 22-Speak
- 23-A small roll of tobacco leaves for smoking
- 27-River in Poland
- 28-Feminine name
- 30-Media
- 31-A river in central England
- 32-To make a note of
- 34-A dried grape
- 35-A bribe (Scott.)
- 37-Abounds
- 40-Rave
- 41-Brough suddenly
- 43-Tide of a night
- 47-play-book (abbr.)
- 48-A continent (abbr.)

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in tomorrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

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THE ANCIENT ART OF BREWING

BRISTOL'S BEER TRADE:
SOME INTERESTING FACTS
SAXON MEAD

The art of making beer is a very ancient one, for it is an authenticated fact that so long ago as 3,000 B.C. the Egyptians were making an intoxicating liquor from barley or other grain. While cider and mead were the chief drinks of our Saxon forefathers, beer was manufactured by them by a primitive process. With the coming of the Normans the consumption of beer increased, and some of the best was made in the monasteries. The well-known West Country historian William of Malmesbury has put it on record that in the reign of Henry II. the English monasteries had attained fame on the Continent for the fine quality of their ales.

It can be said without fear of contradiction that as early as the sixteenth century Bristol had attained an important position in the industry. The introduction of hops gave a great impetus to the trade, and Bristol brewers were making use of hops in the reign of Henry VII., a practice which was not regarded favourably by the municipal authorities. Parliament was petitioned against the use of hops as being "a wicked weed that would spoil the best of drink and endanger the people," and the Bristol city fathers in 1505 forbade the putting of hops into ale, except in the months of June, July, and August, on pain of a fine of 10s.

One may smile to-day at the action of the municipal authorities of that distant time, when they appointed an "aleconner," whose duty it was to visit the premises of every brewer in the city to taste the ale, and if he found it unwholesome to forbid its sale. History does not tell how often he had to perform this no doubt congenial task, but he and his assistant were paid the joint yearly salary of £1 6s 8d. A brewers' guild was formed in Bristol in 1524, and it is recorded in the city archives that in that year, soon after Michaelmas, the Mayor presided over a meeting of brewers held at the Council House, at which the price of malt was determined, every brewer who failed to observe it being mulcted in a fine of 40s.

"Ale Houses"—Coming to a later date—1742—we have evidence of the growth of the industry in the fact that there were in Bristol, with its comparatively small population, no fewer than 384 ale-houses, in addition to 23 inns and various shops licensed to sell liquor. Connected with the history of brewing in the city the name George occupies a commanding place. On January 3, 1738, the first step was taken in establishing what is now the Bristol Brewery (Georges and Co., Limited) by Philip George, the eldest son of William George, who owned a distillery in Baldwin Street and had been a freeman of the city from 1739. He was authorized to purchase from a Mr. Grimes, at a sum not exceeding £2,400, a brew-house and malthouse in Tucker Street in the parish of St. Thomas, and to negotiate for the purchase of a warehouse and cooperage adjoining. From here barrels of the famous Bristol porter were shipped to many places, including Cork, Waterford (with which Bristol had intimate commercial dealings), and Liverpool. From the amalgamation of the Georges business with that of the Ricketts in 1816, this firm has progressed steadily, building up a modern brewery around the premises in Bath Street, which occupy an advantageous position on the banks of the Avon, near Bristol Bridge.

The present company was incorporated in 1838, just a century after the foundation of the firm of Georges and Co. Since then the company has increased its activities and acquired many brewing concerns, including the Bedminster Brewery of James and Pierce, R. W. Miller and Co., the Lodway Brewery Company, John Arnold and Sons, of Wickwar, the Welton (Somerset) Breweries, and the Bath Brewery. The reputation of the beer brewed by this celebrated firm is not merely local, and it is interesting to know that they own and control over nine hundred licensed houses in the home counties of Gloucestershire, Somerset, and Wiltshire, while other properties are owned in Wales and Monmouthshire. Many of the houses have a historic interest, and, although a number have had to be relinquished in accordance with modern regulations, the remaining houses are well maintained and the beer is of the highest quality.

associated companies consists of Bishop and Butt, Limited, J. H. Lockley and Son, Bowle and Bristol, Limited, M. B. Reynolds (of the Imperial Brewery, Bedminster), D. Skyes and Co., Limited, the Oak-hill Brewery Company, Limited, and Dunlop, Mackie, and Co., Limited. The company's productions have a great vogue around a wide district, and they have "tied" or control of between 400 and 500 licensed houses, most of which are situated in and around Bristol and district and Monmouthshire. All the houses are let to tenants, and none are under management—indeed, the latter system is not encouraged by the local licensing benches.

In the same suburb of Bristol in which the Imperial Tobacco Company have their headquarters is the Ashton Gate Brewery Company, a progressive concern which was established in 1865 and has now 216 licensed houses under its control. The premises are well adapted for brewing, and the ales and stout of the company have won prizes and diplomas at the Brewers' Exhibition. The company owns two malt-houses, where a large proportion of the malt used is made.

A fourth brewery which plays an important part in the local industry is that of W. J. Rogers, Limited, of Jacob Street, which was founded in 1845. Its extensions include the site of the old Benedictine monastery and priory, and it has an extensive trade not only in the West of England but in South Wales.

Bristol can claim to be the distributive centre of a large and growing cider trade, and it cannot be gainsaid that "the wine of the country" is once more coming into its own, thanks to the improved method of manufacture and the greater publicity given to it. In Gloucestershire and Somerset cider-makers are numerous, and now that over this branch of the trade—formerly it was left to the licence-holder to buy from whom he pleased—there is a greater uniformity in the beverage offered to the public. It is somewhat curious that it is often more difficult to get Somerset or Gloucestershire cider in an hotel in Bristol or an inn in many of the villages than it is to procure Devonshire cider, which has successfully invaded these places.

For the improved cider which the public in the West of England can now secure much credit is due to the work carried on by the National Fruit and Cider Institute, now part of Bristol University, at Long Ashton, just outside the city. Here, under the director (Professor B. T. P. Barker) and his staff, much important work has been carried out, and the Institute is continually helping the farmer in growing the best cider apples and generally improving his orchards. Cider-makers also owe much to the research work which is carried on there, and the annual cider-tasting day, when prizes won in competition are distributed, brings together hundreds interested in the industry from the surrounding counties as well as from Monmouthshire and Herefordshire. Here the visitors are able to learn much, the samples including not only ciders made from a single variety like the Kingston Black, but those made from various blends. The commercial possibilities of cider are being more and more widely recognized, and the attractive way in which it is now sold undoubtedly adds to its popularity as a summer beverage.

A WEEK'S DISEASES

During the week ended January 4 the following cases of notifiable and non-notifiable diseases were notified to the Medical Officer of Health:

	Cases	Deaths
Typhoid fever	4	0
Smallpox	27	29
Diphtheria	2	1
Influenza	0	1
Malaria	0	11
Tuberculosis	0	46

On January 6 three cases of smallpox were reported.
On January 7 five cases of smallpox were notified.

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PLEA FOR TOLERANCE

An Oxford undergraduate, summoned for the part he played in Guy Fawkes Day disorders, told the magistrates that he was trying to dodge the "beastly townies." This led to much unfavourable comment among townspeople, and reference to the subject was made in the Isis, an undergraduate weekly.

"It is becoming customary in many quarters," states the Isis, to condemn the University out of hand and to extol the citizens by contrast as the very salt of the earth. We do not deny that many of them are worthy and delightful people, but it is perhaps unreasonable that they should show such willingness to turn and rend the hand which, if it does not actually feed them, at any rate signs frequent and substantial cheques to be paid into their accounts.

An Economic Factor
"Putting aside for the moment other considerations, it is surely obvious that the presence of some 5,000 people in a town, many of whom are rich and practically none of whom are actually poor, is an economic factor of considerable value. They may not be entitled to respect, but they are certainly entitled to all the tolerance that patience can supply.

"Relations between the University and the Municipality are not really hard to maintain and, if left alone, they will doubtless continue amicable. It is only when violent and aggressive attempts to improve them are undertaken that trouble arises, and the commercial population would do well to remember that commonsense is a more paying policy than either sentimentality or exorcism."

SIR HUGH CLIFFORD

Advised A Complete Rest

London, Dec. 27.
Sir Hugh Clifford has been advised by his doctors to take a complete rest and he has, accordingly, left London. No letters will be forwarded.
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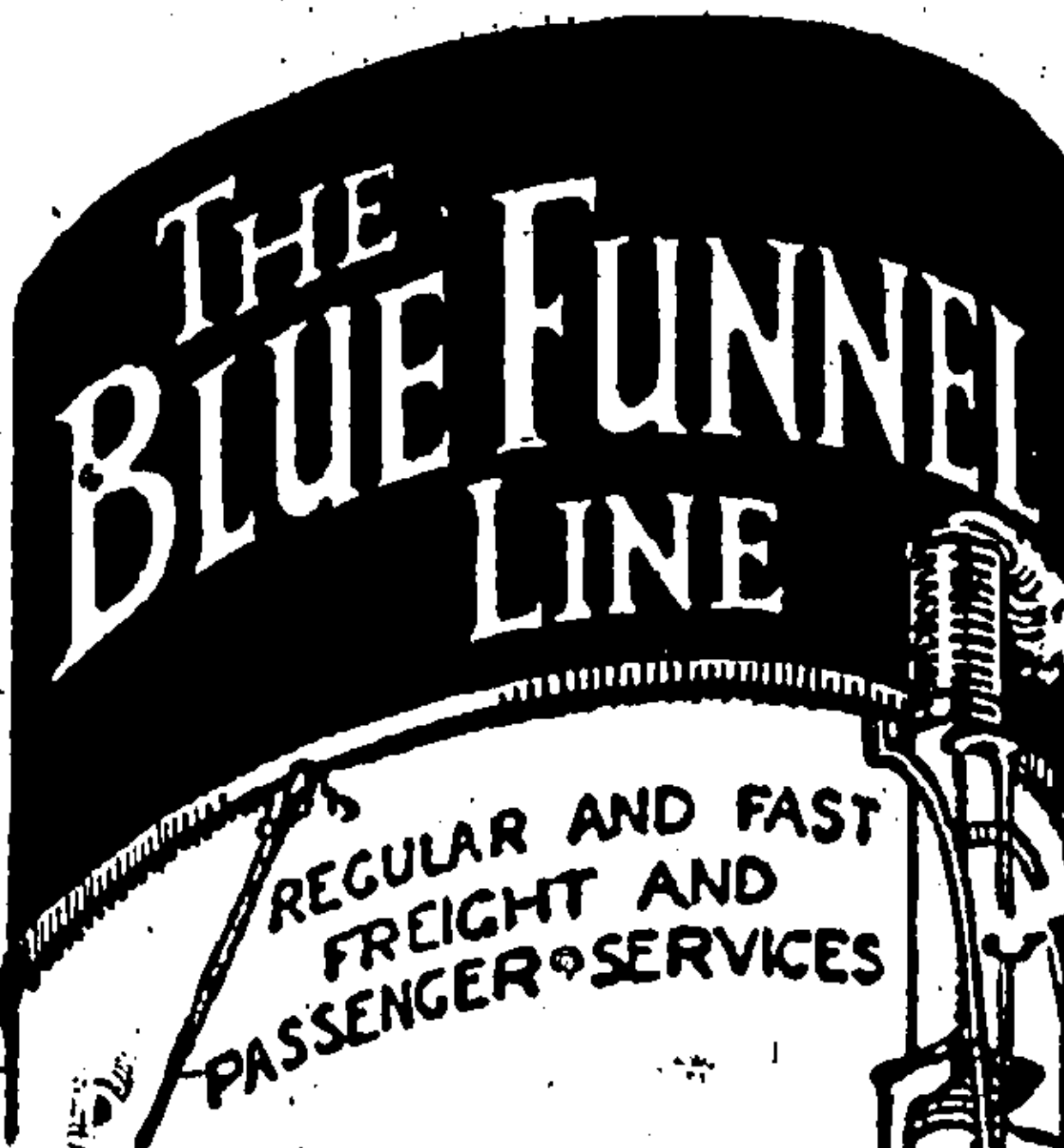
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NOTICE

Holders of Wireless Licences are advised that under the Wireless Telegraphy Regulations all such licences expire on December 31, and that licences for the new year must be renewed as early as possible during the month of January.

INWARD MAILS

From	Per
THURSDAY, JANUARY 9.	
Shanghai and Amoy	Taiyuan
FRIDAY, JANUARY 10.	
Straits	Kidderpore
Japan and Shanghai	Fushimi Maru
London (Parcels, Dec. 5) and Straits	Hector
SATURDAY, JANUARY 11.	
Europe via Negapatam (letters and Papers, London, Dec. 12, 1929)	Talma
U.S.A. (San Francisco, December 18, 1929).	
Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	President Polk
SUNDAY, JANUARY 12.	
Manila	President Jackson
MONDAY, JANUARY 13.	
Canada (Victoria, B.C., December 21, 1929).	
Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Empress of Russia
U.S.A. (San Francisco, December 20, 1929).	
Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	President Taft
U.S.A. (San Francisco, December 18, 1929).	
Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Korea Maru
TUESDAY, JANUARY 14.	
Japan and Shanghai	Angers

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8.	
Formosa	Benvenue 8.30 p.m.
Sam Shui and Wuchow	Kong Ning 4 p.m.
THURSDAY, JANUARY 9.	
Hohow, Pakhoi and Halphong	Menado Maru 8.30 a.m.
Straits & Calcutta	Talamba
Amoy & Foochow via Swatow	Jan. 9, 11.30 a.m.
Swatow	Letters 12.30 p.m.
FRIDAY, JANUARY 10.	
Sandakan	Hydrangas 2.30 p.m.
Japan and Europe via Siberia	Hinsang 10.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles	Kidderpore 2.30 p.m.
Registration Jan. 10, 4.30 p.m.	
Letters Jan. 11, 9 a.m.	
Halphong and Formosa	G.C. Marlin 5 p.m.
SATURDAY, JANUARY 11.	
Manila	President Polk 8 a.m.

MESSAGE HIDDEN IN PRISON MEAL

WOMAN'S CUNNING FAILS TO DEFEAT THE LAW

RAID ON LOTTERY HOUSE

A cunning attempt to defeat the law was disclosed at the Central Magistracy this morning when a Chinese woman was charged before Mr. E. W. Hamilton with running a po pia establishment at 131, Third Street, West Point.

Detective-Sergeant R. J. Clark gave evidence of raiding the house at 4.30 p.m. on January 6 with Chinese detectives and finding a number of documents relating to a lottery, besides Chinese type and red and black printing inks, which were hidden under the accused's bed.

"A Mere Woman"

The accused said, in reply to the charge, that she was a mere woman and did not understand such things. They must have been left there by her brothers without her knowledge.

Sergeant Clark then sprang a surprise by telling the Magistrate that at 5 p.m. on the day following the accused's arrest, another woman brought a meal to her at the Police Station. The meal was "searched," and concealed in a loaf of bread was a strip of paper with some Chinese writing on it.

"Be Careful"

The English translation of the writing on the paper was:—

"I have subscribed enough money to pay you out. Be careful not to admit that the property is yours. You may say that it was left behind by your brothers, and you can also say you are a woman and know nothing about these things."

In reply to the Magistrate, the Sergeant said that the woman who had brought the meal to the station was in Court. He had seen Mr. Fitzroy about charging her, but discovered that there was no charge for it.

Mr. Hamilton imposed a fine of \$100, or two months' hard labour.

The lottery tickets and type, etc., were ordered to be confiscated, the latter after the Magistrate was informed that they would be turned over to the printing department of the jail.

PRINCE AT MADEIRA

Kenilworth Castle At Canary Islands

Madira, Yesterday.
The Prince of Wales, on his way to Cape Town, arrived here aboard the Kenilworth Castle.—Reuter.

GOLD HUNTERS FAIL

Appeal Court Rejects Descendants' Claim

New York, Yesterday.
The United States Circuit Court of Appeals has rejected a claim from thousands of the descendants of John Nicholas Emerick to the fortune left by John Jacob Astor, founder of the wealthy Astor family. The amount claimants expected to receive had their decision gone in their favour, is variously estimated at \$39,000,000 to \$500,000,000.—Reuter's American Service.

PROBLEMS OF POLICY

Reconstruction Of China After War

Nanking, Yesterday.
The third central meeting of the Central Executive Committee will be shortly called at Nanking to solve the problems of the new policy of the current year—the reconstruction of the country and the rehabilitation of the people after the war.—Canton News Agency.

FRESH AND FINE

To-day's weather report from the Royal Observatory, states:—

A strong anti-cyclone remains central to the North of the Yangtze Valley.

Strong monsoon prevails along the S.E. Coast of China and over the N. China Sea.

Forecast:—N. winds, fresh; fine.

BLASTING EXPLOSION

Whilst a blasting charge which had misfired was being examined on the hillside off Boundary Street, Sahmsuipoo, at 6 p.m., yesterday, it suddenly exploded and a stonebreaker named Lu Cheung (30), was struck in the head and neck by flying pieces of rock. He was so badly injured that he had to be taken to the Kowloon Hospital.

TRAINS TO CANTON

The full train-service on the Kowloon-Canton Railway was resumed to-day. An express train left this morning for Canton with about 250 passengers and the morning express arrived in good time with about 300 passengers. The fast trains will also be running as usual this afternoon now that the two damaged bridges on the Chinese section have been repaired.

AMERICAN THREAT OF REPRISALS

WIRELESS AND TELEGRAPH IN THE FAR EAST

BRITISH MONOPOLY

Washington, Yesterday.
Mr. Newcomb Carlton, President of the Western Union Telegraph Company, giving evidence before an Inter State Commerce Committee, said that the amalgamation of British wireless and cable companies were not in the slightest a menace to American business in the same field, and declared that Radio Corporation of America and the Western Union had a dominant position in the Far East and that "reprisals" might be made against the British monopoly if it attempted to obtain a world control of communications.

Mr. Carlton's statement strikingly contrasts with recent evidence before the committee of Mr. Owen D. Young, Chairman of Radio Corporation, who said that the Congressional approval of mergers of American wireless and cable companies was necessary if they were to be able to compete with foreign interests.—Reuter's American Service.

"MONEY NO OBJECT"

Medicine Given Away To The Poor!

A Chinese man, attired in a brown long gown and with a felt hat in his hand, stood before Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy to-day charged with hawking medicine at Tam Kung Road, Kowloon City, without a licence.

The defendant, 42 years of age, told the Magistrate that at one time he was a very rich man, and that even now he did not care for money. He gave medicine to those who needed it free of charge, but, if they liked to show their appreciation for it, they usually gave him lucky money, and that was all.

The philanthropist went on to say that the medicine was good for cholera and stomach aches, and the pamphlets produced in Court related to the virtues of his medicine.

His Worship remarked to the defendant that with all the talking he did in Court, he would think he was very accustomed to lecturing in the streets to people.

A friend of the defendant gave evidence that he was the doctor engaged to cure his sister at Ngau Shi Wan.

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